

The Real JAG

It's Better Than the TV Show

By Spc. Andy Miller
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War is not anarchy. The current law of war and

Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) were written to maintain order and discipline, even in time of war.

The United States is party to several treaties and conventions regarding battlefield conduct, and Soldiers of the 1st

Cavalry Division are bound by the UCMJ. Interpreting these documents, and advising the command on legally available courses of action on the battlefield is the job of Office of the Staff Judge Advocate's office (OSJA), 1st Cavalry Division.

"If we didn't have the law of war, we would have anarchy and chaos on the battlefield," Maj. Jim Agar the Deputy Staff Judge Advocate said. "The law of war is not just a matter of fighting in a civilized manner. It's also trying to convince people, that although we have a military objective and we will achieve that objective, we won't do it at all costs. 'We're not bad guys, ... we play fair ... we fight fair, and that can go along way toward winning a war.'"

In addition to advising commanders about conduct on the battlefield, the OSJA works issues concerning pow-

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Maj. Jim Agar, Deputy Staff Judge Advocate and Sgt. Gabriel Galindo, detention operations noncommissioned officer, discuss weekly reporting procedures at the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate. The Soldiers of the OSJA provide legal guidance to the command staff regarding operational procedures. They are also here to take care of Soldier's legal affairs, both here and back home.

Deadly Weekend for Task Force Baghdad

BAGHDAD, Iraq- Five Task Force Baghdad Soldiers were killed this weekend in two separate attacks on Coalition Forces.

Four Soldiers died and seven were wounded in an early-morning rocket attack Saturday at Camp Cooke.

Two rockets impacted

inside the camp at approximately 5:30 a.m.

In a separate attack Sunday, one task force Soldier was killed and three were wounded as a result of an improvised explosive device (IE) attack on their convoy.

1st Cavalry Division spokesman, Deputy Public

Affairs Officer Philip Smith expressed his sympathy for the families of the dead and the wounded while condemning the attack.

"Any loss of life of a Task Force Baghdad Soldier is a great loss," Smith said. "Our prayers go out to the families of these brave Soldiers."

"Those responsible should know that we do not take these attacks lightly. We have the capability to respond, and we will," he added.

The names of the dead are being withheld pending the notification of their next of kin.

These incidents are under investigation.

JAG Soldiers Enforce Rule of Law

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ers of attorney, wills and marriages for Soldiers deployed to this theater. Deployed troops often don't have the time or expertise to deal with legal matters, according to Spc. Jon Coen, a court reporter.

"Our real goal is to help make the command and the Soldiers not have to worry," Coen said. "We try to provide

them with the best and most accurate service that we can. We try to make life as easy as possible for them."

Life isn't easy for all Soldiers who find their way to the OSJA office though. Those on the wrong side of the law may ultimately realize that they've made life difficult for themselves.

Agar has seen a number of punishable violations in this

theater, including attempts to mail firearms home and the consumption of alcohol. According to General Order Number One, these activities are punishable under UCMJ.

"The range of punishments can go from a letter of reprimand ... all the way up to a court martial," Agar said. "We are enforcing the rule of law in our own ranks, and I hope the Iraqis see that."

If Soldiers think ahead and realize there are consequences to their actions, then they can prevent a lot of the violations that happen in theater, Coen noted.

He added that knowing General Order Number One and conducting yourself in a polite and professional manner could avoid a lot of unpleasantness.



By Spc. Bryan Kinkade, 1st Cav. Div. PAO

Lt. Col. Mohammad Faek Ra'uf Mahmood assumed command of the 303rd Iraqi Civil Defense Corps Battalion, April 25, during a promotion and assumption of command ceremony. Soldiers from the 2nd Battalion, 12th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division helped the ICDC soldiers put on the ceremony, which took place in the Thunder Dome at Forward Operating Base Thunder. The First Team commanding general, Maj. Gen. Pete Chiarelli, and the 40th ICDC Brigade Commander, Col. Mudir had the honor of pinning on the new rank of lieutenant colonel on the ICDC commander.

Today in History

April 26

► From historychannel.com

1865 Death of John Wilkes Booth

1865 Gen. Johnston surrenders his army to Gen. Sherman (the last hope of the Confederacy, after the surrender of Robert E. Lee's force April 9

1894 Rudolf Hess is born
1937 Nazis test *Luftwaffe* on Guernica

1954 Geneva Conference begins

1971 U.S. troop strength in South Vietnam at five-year low

1986 Nuclear disaster at Chernobyl

1989 Lucille Ball dies
1994 South Africa holds first multiracial elections

Commanding General: Maj. Gen. Peter Chiarelli
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Killeen Daily Herald

Austin dance group "The Love of China" performs an ancient routine at the Killeen Community Center Saturday. Hundreds attended the Celebrate Killeen event despite bad weather.

Today in Cav History



1951 - Another trouble spot flares up and this disturbance brought about the commitment of additional Divisional units to the front. The 7th Cavalry Regiment, and the 77th and 82nd Field Artillery Battalions were sent forward in support of the 3rd Infantry Division.

1971 - This was the end of duties for the 1st Cavalry Airborne, less 3rd Brigade, in Vietnam. The 3rd Brigade established its headquarters in Bien Hoa as a required presence under Nixon's "Vietnamization" plan.

Coming Home; Getting Out

► From Killeen Daily Herald

As thousands of Fort Hood Soldiers recently returned from Iraq to readjust to life at home, many are preparing for another transition

FORT HOOD, Texas- As thousands of Fort Hood Soldiers recently returned from Iraq to readjust to life at home, many are preparing for another transition.

The Fort Hood office of the Army Career and Alumni Program is experiencing a flood of Soldiers who are preparing to trade in their boots and guns for civilian jobs.

The ACAP program helps Soldiers make the transition to the civilian work world by combining technology, one-on-one counseling and information briefings designed to prepare those leaving the Army for work beyond the military.

"We believe Soldiers have a unique blend of those attributes employers are looking for," said Linda Christ, the transition services manager for ACAP's Fort Hood office.

Soldiers cycling through the transition center, as well as their family members, are able to use the wealth of resources available through ACAP to better market themselves to potential employers.

More than 7,200 Soldiers used the center's services in 2003, Christ said, and the numbers are up even more recently with the recent return of many Soldiers from Iraq.

The computer system at the transition center includes programs designed to help Soldiers translate their military training into civilian skills or

research labor statistics, such as average salary range for a specific job in a selected area.

Interactive software teaches interview skills, allowing Soldiers to watch a videotaped mock interview of themselves. There is information on colleges and scholarships and a 12-minute computerized personality survey that concludes by suggesting possible career fields of interest based on the Soldiers' answers.

Sgt. George Okai-Adjete, 30, used the computer labs to get information about jobs and going to college.

"It would be very hard" to transition without the ACAP program, said Okai-Adjete, a unit supply specialist with the 8th Engineer Battalion. "They put out so much information."

One-on-one help with one of the ACAP's 13 trained counselors is also available.

In a recent visit to the ACAP office, Command Sgt. Maj. Richard B. Adams Jr., who is retiring after 22 years, met with one of the counselors to help plan his own exit strategy.

"I haven't put a resume together in — oh — 22 years," Adams said as he discussed resume formats with a counselor.

Soldiers are required by law to attend a pre-separation briefing that introduces them to the ACAP program and its services. The briefing, which

lasts about an hour-and-a-half, is held twice daily in the ACAP office.

With the influx of Soldiers returning from Iraq, the ACAP center is offering an additional, expanded briefing each Wednesday in April for 4th Infantry Division Soldiers.

ACAP also partners with the Killeen Workforce Center to offer a more in-depth, three-day workshop Wednesday through Friday each week. The workshop delves further into issues touched on in the pre-separation briefing, including labor market statistics, budgeting and loss of benefits.

Sylvia Brownlow, a workforce center employee who leads the weekly workshops, said that many Soldiers, particularly the younger ones, do not have a real understanding of what to do to prepare for civilian life.

Some of the consistently overlooked issues are where to live, how to effectively job search and skills for a successful interview.

The retired first sergeant said she uses her own Army experiences to connect with soldiers.

Christ said the transition center strongly encourages all Soldiers to attend the three-day workshop to enhance their chances of success.

"There are some tools that just make it easier for the Soldiers," she said.

Monday

High: 90
Low: 63



Tuesday

High: 94
Low: 62



Wednesday

High: 93
Low: 67



Klitschko Wins Heavyweight Championship

► From *USA Today*

LOS ANGELES — Vitali Klitschko restored the family name, gained revenge and captured the heavyweight championship with a bloody and brutal eighth-round TKO of Corrie Sanders on Saturday night at the Staples Center.

The 6-7, 245-pound



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Boxer Vitali Klitschko landed an eighth-round Technical Knockout to win the heavyweight championship at the Staples Center in Los Angeles April 24.

Klitschko's powerful right hands were too much for Sanders, who was bleeding badly and staggering along the ropes barely able to protect himself when referee John Schorle called it off at 2:46.

"This is a big relief," Klitschko said. "I feel a lot of weight off my shoulders. My dream has come true. I knew this would be a tough fight and that Corrie Sanders would give his best. This was my goal."

Klitschko (No. 1 USA TODAY, 34-2, 33 KOs) entered the ring seeming like he had the weight of the world on his

shoulders. He was tight all week and wore a scowl.

It was understandable. He was fighting two weeks after Lamont Brewster surprisingly knocked out his younger brother, Wladimir Klitschko, in a big upset and also was wary of Sanders' big left hand.

That left hand had destroyed Wladimir in two rounds 13 months ago and Klitschko was trying to gain revenge for his brother's defeat.

Klitschko, 32, a Ukrainian living in Los Angeles, did just that with a classic display of power punching. According to punch statistics, Klitschko landed 230 of 413 shots (56%) to Sanders' 51-for-229 (22%).

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-Vitali Klitschko, Heavyweight Champion



Major League Baseball Standings

as of 04/25/04

American League

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	12	6	.667	-
Baltimore	10	7	.588	1.5
New York	8	11	.421	4.5
Tampa Bay	7	10	.412	4.5
Toronto	6	13	.333	6

Central Division

Minnesota	12	6	.667	-
Chicago	11	7	.611	1
Detroit	11	8	.579	1.5
Kansas City	6	11	.335	5.5
Cleveland	7	12	.368	5.5

West Division

Anaheim	11	8	.579	-
Texas	11	8	.579	-
Oakland	10	9	.526	1
Seattle	6	13	.316	5

National League

East Division

Florida	12	5	.706	-
Atlanta	9	8	.529	3
Philadelphia	7	10	.412	5
New York	7	12	.368	6
Montreal	5	14	.263	8

Central Division

Chicago	12	6	.667	-
Cincinnati	11	7	.611	1
Houston	11	8	.579	1.5
St. Louis	10	9	.526	2.5
Milwaukee	10	10	.500	3
Pittsburgh	8	9	.471	3.5

West Division

Los Angeles	12	6	.667	-
San Diego	10	9	.526	2.5
Colorado	8	10	.444	4
Arizona	7	11	.389	5
San Francisco	7	12	.368	5.5



NBA

Playoffs

Indiana 90
Boston 75
(Indiana wins series 4-0)

Los Angeles 92 (OT)
Houston 88
(Los Angeles leads 3-1)

TV GUIDE

	AFN ATLANTIC	AFN PACIFIC	AFN Sports	AFN Spectrum
18:00	I Spy/ Even Stevens	Tonight Show with Jay Leno/ The Late Show with David Letterman	Baseball Tonight	Star Trek VI: Undiscovered Country 17:00
19:00	Jeopardy/ Headline News	Access Hollywood 19:30	Sportscenter	The Wild Thornberrys/ The Fairly Oddparents
20:00	ESPNNews/ HeadlineNews	A Vision of Murder: The Story of Donielle	NBA Fastbreak 20:30	The Simpsons/ The Cosby Show
21:00	60 Minutes	Cat People 21:45	NHL Playoffs - 2nd Round Gm 2: Toronto Maple Leafs @ Philadelphia Flyers	Average Joe
22:00	Cold Case			Law & Order: Special Victims Unit